

**AMENDMENT
TO ILLINOIS INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT**

EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 20, 1997

By and Between

AMERITECH ILLINOIS

AND

SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY, L.P.

The Interconnection Agreement (“the Agreement”) by and between Ameritech Illinois (“Ameritech”) and Sprint Communications Company, L.P. (“CLEC”), which became effective February 20, 1997, is hereby amended as follows:

- (1) Addition of Appendix FCC Merger Conditions
- (2) Table of Contents modified to add additional Appendix
- (3) This Amendment shall not modify or extend the Effective Date or Term of the underlying Agreement, but rather, contains a termination date specific to the FCC Appendix adopted into the Interconnection Agreement which may or may not be coterminous with the underlying Agreement.
- (4) EXCEPT AS MODIFIED HEREIN, ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE UNDERLYING AGREEMENT SHALL REMAIN UNCHANGED AND IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT, and such terms are hereby incorporated by reference and the Parties hereby reaffirm the terms and provisions thereof.
- (5) This Amendment shall be filed with and is subject to approval by the Illinois Commerce Commission (“ICC”).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Amendment to the Agreement was executed in triplicate on this _____ day of _____, 2000, by Ameritech, signing by and through its duly authorized representative, and CLEC, signing by and through its duly authorized representative.

Sprint Communications Company, L.P.

Ameritech Illinois

**By: SBC Telecommunications, Inc.,
Its authorized agent**

By: _____

By: _____

Title: _____

Title: President – Industry Markets

Name: _____
(Print or Type)

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On January 25, 1999, the United States Supreme Court issued its opinion in *AT&T Corp. v. Iowa Utilities Board*, 119 S. Ct. 721 (1999) and on June 1, 1999, the United States Supreme Court issued its opinion in *Ameritech v. FCC*, No. 98-1381, 1999 WL 116994, 1999 Lexis 3671 (June 1, 1999). In addition, on November 5, 1999, the FCC issued its Third Report and Order and Fourth Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket No. 96-96 (FCC 99-238), including the FCC's Supplemental Order issued *In the Matter of the Local Competition Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*, in CC Docket No. 96-98 (FCC 99-370) (rel. November 24, 1999), portions of which become effective thirty (30) days following publication of such Order in the Federal Register (February 17, 2000) and other portions of which become effective 120 days following publication of such Order in the Federal Register (May 17, 2000). By executing this amendment, Ameritech Illinois does not waive any of its rights, remedies or arguments with respect to such decisions and any remands thereof, including its right to seek legal review or a stay of such decisions, or its rights under the Interconnection Agreement between Sprint Communications Company, L.P. and Ameritech Illinois.